

of the earth is honorable, but awful. Trusted with the of this solitary republic of the world, the only mom human rights and the sole depository of the sacred fir dom and self-government, from hence it is to be ligh other regions of the earth, if other regions of the e; become susceptible of its benign influence. All manki then, with us, to rejoice in its prosperous, and sympatl adverse fortunes, as involving everything that is deai And to what sacrifices of interest, or commerce o these considerations to animate us? To what compr< opinion and inclination, to maintain harmony and unic ourselves, and to preserve from all danger this hallow human hope and human happiness. That differences c should arise among men, on politics, on religion, and other topic of human inquiry, and that these should expressed in a country where all our faculties are free expected. (To the citizens of Washington, 1809.

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FREEDOM OF THE PRESS.—As to myself, conscious t was not a truth on earth which I feared should be '. have lent myself willingly as the subject of a great ex; which was to prove that an administration, conduct with integrity and common understanding, cannot be down, even by the falsehoods of a licentious press, ai quently still less by the press, as restrained within and wholesome limits of truth. This experiment was for the world to demonstrate the falsehood of the pre freedom of the press is incompatible with orderly go| I have never therefore even contradicted the thousands nies so industriously propagated against myself. Bu-being once established, that the press is

impotent abandons itself to
falsehood, I leave to others to res'
its strength, by recalling it within
the pale of truth, that, it is a noble
institution, equally the friend of sc:
of civil liberty. If this can once be
effected in youi trust we shall soon
see its citizens rally to the republi